

## Michigan Regional Council of Carpenters • U.B.C.J.A.

The Honorable Lee Chatfield
Chairman, House Committee on Local Government
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## Chairman Chatfield:

On behalf of the 14,000 members of the Michigan Regional Council of Carpenters and Millwrights that live and work in Michigan, we urge you and the members of the House Committee on Local Government to **support SB** 1061 – 1065; the "Transformational Brownfield" legislation.

SB 1061 – 1065 are critical to building the kind of vibrant communities Michigan needs to continue its economic rise, attract businesses, and grow our state. More importantly for MRCC, this is a chance to put thousands of MRCC members to work in places where jobs and growth are the most crucial; places like Flint, Saginaw, Detroit, Pontiac, Escanaba, Petoskey, Jackson, Grand Rapids and many other communities across the State.

Current programs are certainly helpful for small- and medium-sized projects, but nothing exists yet to handle largescale projects that will have the greatest impact in accelerating growth and revitalizing Michigan's cities. In virtually every community, there is the potential for major developments representing billions in investment. All of this could be unlocked with your support of the legislation. These bills take nothing away nor put at risk any existing revitalization tools. Instead, this legislation allows for projects that would otherwise be unattainable.

MRCC's most important factor in our support of SB 1061 – 1065 is its impact on long-term jobs for our membership. These bills put our members to work, and keeps them at work, while also creating safer and more vibrant places for our members to live and contribute.

Thank you for your support of SB 1061 - 1065.

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Sincerely,

Lisa Canada

Legislative Director

Michigan Regional Council of Carpenters and Millwrights

CC: Members of the House Committee on Local Government Members of the 98th Legislature's House of Representatives